

AVANT WITH SUPERSTITION
FRIDAYS, "RAINY WEDDING MORNINGS," &c.,
NOT OF EVIL OMEN
SINCE THE WORLD EXPLODED THE "UN-
LUCKY FIGURE THIRTEEN" MYTH WITH
ITS THIRTEEN SOLID PAGES OF THE
PEOPLE'S "WANTS" FOR THREE
CONSECUTIVE SUNDAYS!

PRICE ONE CENT.

5 O'CLOCK EXTRA

GOOD-BY HOTEL SHELBOURN.
AN AUCTION SALE FOLLOWS THE DISAP-
PEARANCE OF PROPRIETOR BLINN.

The Hotel's Household Goods Going Off at
Low Prices—Uncle Rufus Hatch Invests
in a Fly-Specked Lamp and a Bedstead
for a Few Dollars—Proprietor Blinn Does
Not Return to His at the Sale.

Until about a week ago the Hotel Shel-
burn, at Fifth avenue and Thirty-sixth
street, was the home of many New Yorkers
of means. To-day it is deserted by boarders
and is invaded by an eager horde of bargain-
seekers, who are bidding on its elegant fur-
niture, which is being sold under the auc-
tioner's hammer.

The building is a portion of the great Astor
estate, and its lessees were Homer L. and
William B. Blinn, brothers.
Homer L. Blinn, the senior partner, had
been ill for a long time. He removed to his
old home in the Green Mountains for the
benefit of his health. During his absence
the burden of business fell upon his brother.
It apparently was too much for him to carry,
for one morning about four weeks ago the
hotel awoke to a realization of the fact that
its proprietor had fled.

Some of the help, nearly one hundred in all,
had owing to them wages for three months,
but they continued to run the hotel, hoping
for the return of their employer and the pay-
ment of their wages.
He did not come, and the hotel was closed
a week ago by the trustees of the Astor
estate, who proceeded to foreclose a chattel
mortgage for \$250,000 on interest on the fit-
ture and furniture of the building. The
sale, which was begun this morning, will
continue until Tuesday, and is the result of
that foreclosure.

Some of the foreclosures, however, Deputy
Sheriff McGinniss made a levy upon the
wine cellar and silver closet to collect a judg-
ment of \$2,122.94 in favor of Alorton & Mer-
itt, creditors of the hotel. The lock on the fit-
ture and furniture of the building was thrown open
to the public. The auctioneer's clerk had
preceded the crowd with his box of crayons,
and from cellar to garret, on every conceivable
article of furniture, and in some cases por-
tions of the building, were chalked the
"lots" from 1 to 2,200.

One man, whose curiosity concerning the
contents of the building had not gone be-
yond the limits of the wine cellar, had evi-
dently found an entrance last night, for he
was discovered in a drunken stupor lying in
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Some of the prices obtained were very fair,
but Counselor Tracy, of Evans, Choate &
Reaman, who represent the Astors, thought
that they would not realize more than \$10,000
on the sale.

This loss will not embarrass the Astors
financially, it is needless to say.

BATTILING OVER THE WOMEN.

The Methodist Conference Begins the De-
bate on Female Delegates.
Bishop E. G. Andrews presided at this
morning's session of the Methodist Episcopal
Conference. The order of the day was the
discussion of the report of the committee
against the eligibility of women as lay dele-
gates.

The Rev. Dr. Pendleton, of Kansas, was
the first to gain the floor. He moved that
the women whose seats are contested be
given seats on the floor during the debate.
After considerable discussion the motion was
lost. Mrs. Mary C. Mud, of Minnesota,
stood up to vote, but was not allowed to do
so.

The Rev. Dr. J. H. Potts, editor of the
Methodist Advocate, one of the ablest debaters
in the conference, took the floor. He ad-
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The Rev. William Bush, of Dakota, made a
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ANN O'DELLIA SAYS "NOT GUILTY."

She and the Whilom General Arraigned
To-day to Plead.

Two trifling circumstances saved Ann
O'Dellia from the terrible indignity of being
carried in the prison van from the Tombs to
the General Sessions Court this morning.
One was that she was the only female pris-
oner to be arraigned and the other was that
she is somewhat too heavy and bulky to be
crowded into the city's vehicles.

She waddled down Centre street side by
side with Deputy Sheriff Reilly and fol-
lowed by a curious crowd, to whom her poke
bush, fat figure and gaudy attire betrayed
her identity.

Joseph H. Dias Debar, the whilom gen-
eral, was fortunate. He had to make the trip
in the usual way with the other prisoners.

When the fat mecum reached Part III,
she was placed in the female pen. Her hus-
band was boxed up with a crowd of dirty
felons and separated from her by a high
wooden partition.

Big Lawyer Howe, Ann O'Dellia's deadly
enemy, walked into court with a brazen
drab overcoat and delicate tinted gloves
ready to give Assistant District Attorney
Bradford points for the people. After two
young burglars had been hustled to the bar
and back the Clerk called:

"Ann O'Dellia Saloman; Joseph H. Dias
Debar."
It is so long since the priestess was ad-
dressed by her aliases that she seems to for-
get that she is no longer Princess Editha
Lolita Montez Dias Debar, Countess of Lan-
disfield. She bowed demurely and stepped,
with her co-conspirator, to the bar.

When called upon to plead to the charges
of conspiracy and grand larceny she an-
swered, "not guilty." In a loud voice, with
a scorn at the judge and the crowd in court.
Mr. Dias Debar let his counsel, John G.
Boyd, do his pleading for him. Senator
Boyd intimated that he might withdraw the
charges upon and put an end to the trial.
Judge Martine gave him ten days
to make up his mind.

District Attorney Bedford asked that high
bail be fixed on the grand larceny charge.
"These people have been carrying on a
business which is based on fraud and trick-
ery. Great minds have been affected by
their arts and their business should be
prevented upon and put an end to. I want
the bail fixed so high that they cannot
escape the law."

Sentator Boyd, seeing that the case was
hopeless, and his client did not want bail,
refused to put up with it. The prisoners
were then taken back to the Tombs.

FATTY WALSH'S SALOON.

He Will Be His Own Sign and May Employ
Pullers to Draw Up Trade.

Ex-Warden Fatty Walsh, of the Tombs,
has leased No. 17 Centre street, and if the
Excise Commissioners grant him a license he
will soon be running a saloon there. Some
of the old-time habitués of the Tombs are
in securing a renewal of the license for
McAuliffe & Sickle's old place, as
there are now three other saloons on the west
side of the block between Chambers and
Rector streets. The ex-Warden, however,
has a "pull" and feels confident that he will
soon dispense beverages to the thirty way-
farers.

"Tom" said one of his supporters to-day.
"I will not go much on the sign business.
He will stand out in front of the door him-
self. Tom will catch all the trade from the
corner, and ought to make money."

"He will have herring and crackers for
free lunch, with broth thrown in three times
a week. He used to charge 50 cents for that
sort of lunch when he was Warden of the
Tombs. Wait till you see the big opening
that Tom will give the boys. The flag on the
City Hall ought to be hoisted on the day
that Tom opens his saloon. The Warden
corner, and ought to make money."

"I heard him tell a fellow yesterday that
he would not give him an order for tooth-
picks because the toothpicks were man-
ufactured by contractors who were work-
ing on an elevated side-door that will
open into a hallway. The hinges on the
door will be worked by a new patented
electric arrangement, and the door will
be worked by a new patented electric ar-
rangement. Oh, he will do a great
business. Will carry rolls up to the door?
Well, I don't think he will give the boys
a free lunch. The ex-Warden corner, and
ought to make money."

The ex-Warden will not have Alderman
Paul Dwyer in the saloon business. Alderman
Dwyer is no longer in the saloon business.
The sign "Dwyer's" is kept on the shades
of his old place as a mascot. The trade-mark
"Dwyer" is said to be worth at least \$30 a
day in trade.

WILL INVESTIGATE IVINS.

The Mayor Directs an Immediate Examina-
tion of the Chamberlain's Office.

Mayor Hewitt, in compliance with Cham-
berlain Ivins's request, has instructed the
Commissioners of Accounts to at once make
a thorough investigation of the Chamberlain's
office.

At the same time the Mayor wrote to Mr.
Ivins in reply to the latter's letter, saying:
"It is proper that I should at once acquit you
of all responsibility for the reduction in the bal-
ance in any one of the city depositories. The fact
that the city balances have been drawn down
by very large payments, and I am satisfied that
no party or person could have done this with-
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BECAUSE SHE REFUSED HIM.

MILTON S. BIBBY SHOTS HIMSELF IN HIS
SWEETHEART'S PRESENCE.

She Would Not Marry Him Because She
Had Heard that He Had Another Girl—
A Desperate Struggle for Possession of
the Pistol—Beating the Hospital Officials
to Permit a Death-Bed Wedding.

The occupants of the tenement-house, 234
East Seventy-seventh street, flocked to the
third floor this morning on the report of a
pistol shot followed by a woman's screams.
The sounds came from the rooms occupied
by Mary Welbert and her brother. Opening
the door, the neighbors saw a man lying on
the floor, with blood flowing from a wound
in the right side of his body, while Miss
Welbert bent over him, wringing her hands
in terror.

An ambulance was quickly summoned, and
the man was removed to the Presbyterian
Hospital, where his wound was pronounced
dangerous.

Miss Welbert was taken to the East Sixty-
seventh street police station, where she told
Capt. Gunter that the wounded man was
her brother, Milton S. Bibby, aged twenty-six years,
of 210 East Seventy-sixth street, and was em-
ployed in the machine shops of the Third
avenue elevated road at Ninety-eighth street.

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THE BREWERS' INVESTIGATION.

Secretary Kurtzschke Continues His Testi-
mony Before the Board.

The State Board of Arbitration continued
its inquiry into the brewers' look-out this
forenoon at 10:45 o'clock in the Aldermanic
Chamber. Ernst Kurtzschke, Secretary
of the United Malsters' Union, who was
called to the stand, resumed his testimony
under cross-examination by Lawyer Untermyer.

He said that his organization was connected
with the Brewerymen's National Union. He
was shown a letter from Frank Semmelman,
a member of the Executive Committee of the
Malsters' Union, when a question arose as to
its authenticity. The Board admitted it.
It was shown that the letter was signed by
"scab" malt, so that he would not come
into conflict with any labor organization.

The witness recognized the handwriting.
Letters purporting to come from Ernest
Bohm, Secretary of the Central Labor Union,
were next produced by counsel, and witness
said that he was not sure that it was Mr.
Bohm's handwriting. The letters suggested
that Brewster Hupfel, Hoffmann, Yuenigling
and F. and M. Schaeffer refrain from using
Schwarzwalder's "scab" malt.

The witness denied that in conversation
with Secretary Thomas, of the United States
Brewers' Association, he had threatened re-
taliation in the event of the boss brewers re-
fusing to sign a contract with the malsters.
Letters in print, bearing the
heading of the Malsters' Union, and notify-
ing the boss brewers not to use scab malt,
were next produced by counsel, and witness
said that he was not sure that he did not
know who affixed the seal of the union to them.

Chairman Purcell said that if the object of
the counsel was to show that a boycott had
been put in force, it was very evident that
"scab" malt had been boycotted and re-
quired no further proof.

Mr. Untermyer produced a letter bear-
ing a skull and crossbones and threat-
ening Brewster H. B. Scharmann and
Leonard Eppig. It was addressed to:
"Mr. Scharmann. One sentence read: 'It
will take more than 50 years' worth of
stuff to train both of you.' It was signed
"A Working Ox on the Rampage." The
witness laughed and said that he knew nothing
about it.

Mr. Untermyer read a letter addressed by
Secretary Herbrand, of the Brewers' National
Union, to the Messrs. Ebling, brewers in
Morrisania, in which the request was made
that the union be permitted to organize their
employees, and, in the event of a refusal,
the matter would be referred to the United
States and labor unions. Counsel said he wished
to controvert the statement that the bosses
coined their men into joining the union.

A boycotting circular, shown by counsel,
the witness said he did not prepare in Ger-
man nor translate in English, and he did not
know who prepared it.

Mr. Untermyer said that he would prove
out of the mouths of other witnesses that the
witness did write the circular in question.

Mr. Untermyer declared that the witness
was a malicious and a witness of the Board
if counsel was to be permitted to in-
sult him.

Brown-Stone Rubbers and Architects.
To the Editor of The Evening World:
At a recent meeting of the Building Trades
Section of the Central Labor Union a dele-
gate of the Brown-Stone Rubbers' Associa-
tion made a bitter attack on a certain class
of the New York architects, who are looked
upon as men of honor, and whom the public
generally put confidence in; but, unfortunately,
the Brown-Stone Rubbers' Association was
times again misled, as many could testify.

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Approval Expressed by Philanthropists and
Friends of Progress—New York Must
Have such an Institution to Keep Up to
the Front—Chicago Has One Already—
Invaluable to Working Men and Women
—A Wide Field of Usefulness Indicated.

THE EVENING WORLD has received the fol-
lowing communication:
To the Editor of The Evening World:
THE EVENING WORLD's persistence in the
direction of securing public improvement,
morally and otherwise, cannot fail of fruitful
results. The great body of people in this
city feel the need of a public-spirited journal
like the senior and the junior World to
point out to them those things most wanted
and the manner in which the same may be
practically applied for the common good.

Your fight for free lectures is a splendid
stroke in the right direction. Secure that
boon and you will win the undying gratitude
of the people.

But do not cease your labors at that jun-
cture, but after having obtained the passage
of the Free Lecture bill let us have another
of your brilliant "statue" campaigns and build
a magnificent temple in which the people
may assemble and listen to those whose proud
privilege it shall be to instruct them.

Let the structure and its object be mod-
elled on the example set by Peter Cooper,
when that public benefactor built his own
monument in the shape of the famous Cooper
Institution, and let everything therein be free
to the people who feel the need of the ele-
vating influence of education.

The citizens contributing will be amply re-
warded by the growth of intelligence